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RESPONSE A

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits this response to the Office Action of August 19,

2002, and asks that the following amendment be considered.

In The Claims

Please cancel claims 1-22.

Please add the following new claims 23-26.